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The Citizen and the Republic. A Text Book in Government.

By JAMES ALBERT WOODBURN, Professor of American History, Indiana University and THOMAS FRANCIS MORAN, Professor of History and Economics, Purdue University. Longman's, Green and Co. New York, 1918; pp. 389+xiv.

This is a high school text following the general lines of the best teaching practice in civics. The authors have included what is best in the late tendency toward emphasizing local institutions without at the same time neglecting national institutions. The writers have resisted two well-defined departures in civic teaching which seem to have carried so many teachers beyond the point of good practice. One of these was to neglect the national field almost entirely in their zeal to be practical. The other was that government could be corrected and purified by devices. This resort to devices vitiated much of our teaching during the last decade. The authors emphasize the fact that the chiefest concern politically of all good citizens is in the national government and the other equally important fact that good government can not be had without social honesty and intelligence. The text begins with the citizen himself and gradually widens to the local, state and national governments. The volume is well-written, clear and full. Marginal texts, topical heads, suggestive questions and supplementary readings help to make it an attractive text for teacher and pupil. Sixty-four illustrations, many of them full page and twelve maps and charts assist greatly in giving definiteness to the topics. It should find wide use among up-to-date high schools.

Proceedings of the Thirty-ninth Annual Session of the Department of Indiana Grand Army of the Republic. Held at Logansport, Ind., June 5, 6, 7, 1918.

Samuel M. Hench was Department Commander. There are 262 posts now active in Indiana with 7,250 members. During the year 626 deaths were reported. The *Proceedings* contains a list of the Posts, location and officers, together with a list of those who have died during the year. Perhaps no citizens of our State have been more pleased than the veterans

of the Civil war to see their grandsons uphold in Europe the best traditions of our armies.

A Brief History of Mooresville and Vicinity. By ALMIRA HARVEY HADLEY, p. 24, 1918. Mooresville.

The chapter heads are "Local Pioneer History and Reminiscences," "Mills," "Schools," "The First Library," "Churches," "Fairs" and "Barbecues." The author writes largely from her own personal knowledge and from information had direct from the pioneers. Her father came to Mooresville in 1830, when he was 11 years old. The whole story is circumstantial and interesting. The community is fortunate in having its early history so well told. Every school child of Mooresville ought to have a copy as a keepsake to make it appreciate the struggles necessary to found and develop the society it enjoys.

Possibilities in State Historical Celebrations by Harlow Lindley is a separate from the *Proceedings of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association*. It deals with the experience of the State commission during the year 1916.

The Catholic Historical Review for January has an article on the Gallipolis colony, by Lawrence J. Kenney. This is an exceptionally good article from the standpoint of history and contains a full bibliography of the famous French settlement.

WAR HISTORIES

Most of the State libraries have definite plans arranged for gathering historical materials relating to the war just closed. Indiana has started a movement for this purpose and Dr. Oliver of Wisconsin has been secured to do the work. Many counties in the State are preparing to publish county histories covering the war activities.

Military Life at Indiana University is the title of a 23 page pamphlet by Ralph L. Rusk, Instructor in English, at Indiana University, published by the University. Beginning with 1840 the author includes in his sketch the various at-